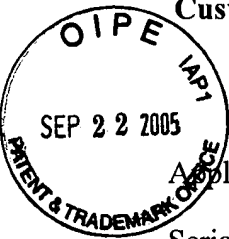


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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

This Response is submitted in response to the March 18, 2005 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application. A response to the March 18, 2005 Office Action was originally due June 18, 2005. Applicants have petitioned for a three-months extension of time, thus a response to the March 18, 2005 Office Action is now due September 19, 2005, September 18, 2005 being a Sunday. Accordingly, this Response is being timely filed.

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